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Abstract: Owing to the degradation of the performance of a retired battery and the unclear initial value of the state of charge (SOC), the estimation of the state of power (SOP) of an echelon-use battery is not accurate. An SOP estimation method based on an adaptive dual extended Kalman filter (ADEKF) is proposed. First, the second-order Thevenin equivalent model of the echelon-use battery is established. Second, the battery parameters are estimated by the ADEKF: (a) the SOC is estimated based on an adaptive extended Kalman filtering algorithm, that uses the process noise covariance Q_k and observes the noise covariance R_k , and (b) the ohmic internal resistance and actual capacity are estimated based on the aforementioned algorithm, that uses the process noise covariance $Q_{\theta,k}$ and observes the noise covariance $R_{\theta,k}$. Third, the working voltage and internal resistance are predicted using optimal estimation, and the SOP of the echelon-use battery is estimated. MATLAB simulation results show that, regardless of whether or not the initial value of the SOC is clear, the proposed algorithm can be adjusted to the adaptive algorithm, and if the estimation accuracy error of the echelon-use battery SOP is less than 4.8%, it has high accuracy. This paper provides a valuable reference for the prediction of the SOP of an echelon-use battery, and will be helpful for understanding the behavior of retired batteries for further discharge and use.

Keywords: echelon-use battery; adaptive dual extended Kalman filter; state of power; second-order Thevenin equivalent model

1. Introduction

In recent years, with the increase of the number of retired batteries, the cascade utilization of power batteries has attracted increasingly more attention. The echelon-use battery refers to the lithium iron phosphate powered lithium battery used in EV (electric vehicle) when the capacity attenuates to less than 80%, and more than 20%, which is used for the power backup and energy storage of the communication base station. There are many works in the literature devoted to the second use of retired EV batteries. Back in 2010, Neubauer et al. [1] believed that the second use strategies had the potential to become a common part of the future automotive battery life cycle. Tong et al. [2] and Omar et al. [3] verified the feasibility of the retired vehicle batteries used in an off-grid photovoltaic vehicle charging system and clarified the capacity decay trend of cells. The result showed that the testing cells possessed another 1400 or 1000 cycles of life while they were charged/discharged at 1C and 80% depth of discharge (DOD). Jiang et al. [4] estimated the second-life battery remaining capacity by three types of regression methods and concluded that the correlation-based feature selection method was feasible and the estimation error was within 3%. Schuster et al. [5] assessed the correlation between the capacity and impedance of lithium-ion cells during calendar life as a base for capacity quick tests and found that the SOH (state of health) quick test must be parameterized with aging data close to actual use. YL et al. [6] tested the performance of retired EV battery modules in order to learn their attenuation states, and different capacity test protocols of retired



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Copyright: © 2021 by the authors. Licensee MDPI, Basel, Switzerland. This article is an open access article distributed under the terms and conditions of the Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) license (https:// creativecommons.org/licenses/by/ 4.0/). modules were compared in order to strike a balance between calibration accuracy and test time. When the vehicle battery was retired, the capacity was below 80%, the retired cells possessed another more than 1000 cycles of life while they were charged/discharged at 1C and 80% depth of discharge (DOD) [2,3]. The retired modules still have a good discharge ability, implying that a retired battery energy storage system can be employed to satisfy the power demand of an electricity grid.

Because of the performance degradation and capacity attenuation of a ladder battery, its safety is difficult to guarantee, leading to the difficulty of large-scale promotion and utilization of cascade batteries. The state of power (SOP), as an important parameter for battery safety control and energy recovery, has attracted significantly greater attention. The battery experimental method and model method are commonly used to estimate SOP. The battery experimental method is a test method adopted by the United States Advanced Battery Consortium (USABC) [7] that has the advantage of strong practicability [8]. Fang [9] of Central South University, China, and Yu [10] of Harbin University of Science and Technology, China, adopted the experimental method. The disadvantage of this method is that the testing is complicated, and equipment is required. Therefore, the use of the estimation method based on the equivalent circuit model has increased. Plett [11] was the first to propose the method of estimating peak power based on the equivalent circuit model. In [12,13], the first-order equivalent circuit model is used by the authors to estimate the SOP. In [14–19], the second-order Thevenin equivalent model is used by the authors to estimate SOP. and an accuracy of 7.2% is obtained.

Using the model method to estimate the SOP has the advantages of simplicity and low equipment requirements. However, the estimation accuracy of the SOP by this method depends on the accuracy of the equivalent model of the echelon battery itself. Owing to the degradation of echelon-use battery performance, its equivalent model is far from meeting the estimation accuracy requirements of the SOP; therefore, an important research direction of battery SOP estimation is to improve the accuracy of the equivalent model of an echelon-use battery and the adaptive ability of the algorithm.

To sum up, the research object of this paper is the echelon-use battery. Most researchers did not consider the impact of battery performance attenuation on SOP estimation. In addition, due to performance attenuation, the estimation error of the SOC increases, and there is a large error between the SOC and the actual value when it is reused. Aiming at the above problems of echelon-use battery performance, an adaptive dual extended Kalman filter (ADEKF) algorithm is first applied based on the second-order Thevenin equivalent model. That is, based on the ADEKF algorithm used to estimate the SOC, ohmic internal resistance, and actual capacity, the optimal estimation is used to predict the working voltage and ohmic internal resistance to estimate the echelon-use battery SOP. Finally, the estimation method of the cascade battery SOP is established to provide a safe guarantee for the promotion and utilization of the cascade battery.

The objective of this study is to propose an effective SOP estimation method for echelon-use batteries and analyze the influence of the degradation of the performance of such batteries and the SOC estimation on the SOP estimation. Four original contributions are made herein.

(1) In this paper, the parameter estimation of the echelon-use battery is discussed. Compared with the new battery, the SOC initial value is not clear, and the parameters are degraded.

(2) In view of the unclear SOC, an adaptive method is adopted, that can be adjusted adaptively to estimate the accuracy based on process noise covariance Q_k and observe the noise covariance R_k .

(3) To improve the accuracy of SOP estimation, an adaptive Kalman filter algorithm is adopted to estimate the parameters of echelon-use batteries in real time based on process noise covariance $Q_{\theta,k}$ and observing the noise covariance $R_{\theta,k}$, aiming at the performance attenuation of the echelon-use battery and the inaccuracy of actual capacity and ohmic internal resistance.

(4) The impact of echelon-use battery SOC and working voltage on the SOP estimation is presented.

2. The Second Order Thevenin Equivalent Model of Echelon-Use Battery

A lithium battery is a very complex nonlinear system. It is necessary to choose a higher-order battery equivalent model to simulate the characteristics of the battery more accurately. The second-order Thevenin equivalent model can not only better reflect the dynamic and static characteristics of the battery but can also lower the order of the model, which reduces the calculation of the processor and makes it easy to implement in engineering applications [20].

In this paper, the second-order Thevenin model is used as the equivalent model of an echelon-use battery, and the equivalent circuit diagram is shown in Figure 1. Indeed, $\tau_1 = R_1C_1$ is the short constant of time, which is used to simulate the process of rapid change of discharge voltage in the dynamic characteristics of the battery; $\tau_2 = R_2C_2$ is the time length constant, which is used to simulate the process of slow and stable discharge voltage in the dynamic characteristics of the battery. Furthermore, U_{oc} is the open circuit voltage of the battery, U_L is the working voltage of the battery, i_L is the charge and discharge current of the battery, R_0 is the ohmic internal resistance of the battery.



Figure 1. The second-order Thevenin equivalent model.

From Figure 1, the discrete state equation of the second-order equivalent circuit of the echelon-use cell is as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} S_{ck+1} \\ U_{k+1}^{R_1C_1} \\ U_{k+1}^{R_2C_2} \\ 0 & 0 & exp\left(-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau_1}\right) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & exp\left(-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau_1}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & exp\left(-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau_2}\right) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} S_{ck} \\ U_k^{R_1C_1} \\ U_k^{R_2C_2} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\Delta t}{C} \\ R_1\left(1 - exp\left(-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau_1}\right)\right) \\ R_2\left(1 - exp\left(-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau_2}\right)\right) \end{bmatrix} \cdot i_k + \omega_k \quad (1)$$

From Figure 1, the discrete observation equation of the second-order equivalent circuit of the echelon-use cell is as follows:

$$U_{k} = \left[\frac{d(U_{oc}(S_{C}))}{dS_{C}}|_{S_{C}=S_{CK}} - 1 - 1\right] \cdot \left[\begin{array}{c}S_{ck}\\U_{k}^{R_{1}C_{1}}\\U_{k}^{R_{2}C_{2}}\\U_{k}^{R_{2}C_{2}}\end{array}\right] - i_{k}R_{0} + \vartheta_{k}$$
(2)

As

$$A_{k} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & exp\left(-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau_{1}}\right) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & exp\left(-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau_{2}}\right) \end{bmatrix}, B_{k} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\Delta t}{C} \\ R_{1}\left(1 - exp\left(-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau_{1}}\right)\right) \\ R_{2}\left(1 - exp\left(-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau_{2}}\right)\right) \end{bmatrix}, x_{k} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{ck} \\ U_{k}^{R_{1}C_{1}} \\ U_{k}^{R_{2}C_{2}} \\ U_{k}^{R_{2}C_{2}} \end{bmatrix}, C_{k} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{d(U_{ac}(S_{C}))}{dS_{C}} |_{S_{C}=S_{CK}} - 1 - 1], u_{k} = i_{k}.$$

So

$$f(x_k, u_k) = A_k x_k + B_k u_k \tag{3}$$

$$g(x_k, u_k) = C_k x_k - R_{0,k} u_k$$
(4)

where, S_{ck} , S_{ck+1} are the SOC of the cascade battery at k, k + 1 time in the discrete state; C is the actual capacity of the cascade battery, the unit is $A \cdot h$; i_k is the charge and discharge current at k time in the discrete state; U_k is the working voltage of the cascade battery at k time in the discrete state; Δt is the sampling period; $U_k^{R_1C_1}$, $U_{k+1}^{R_1C_1}$ are the estimated voltage values of R_1 at k, k + 1 time in the discrete state; ω_k, ϑ_k are independent system noises; $U_{oc}(S_C)$ is the open circuit voltage of the battery corresponding to the SOC value of the cascade battery at the k time in the discrete state.

3. Parameter Identification

3.1. Open Circuit Voltage

The open circuit voltage U_{OC} :

- (1) Charge at the current of 30 A and stop at the cell voltage of 3.65 V.
- (2) Discharge at the current of 30 A and stop at the cell voltage of 2.5 V. Record the discharge voltage U_{dis} .
- (3) Charge at the current of 30 A and stop at the cell voltage of 3.65 V. Record the charge voltage U_{ch}.
- (4) The open circuit voltage U_{OC} is as follows:

$$U_{OC} = \frac{U_{dis} + U_{ch}}{2} \tag{5}$$

3.2. Ohmic Internal Resistance

According to Ohm's law, the ohmic internal resistance R_0 is as follows:

$$R_0 = \frac{\Delta U}{|i_{\rm L}|} \tag{6}$$

where ΔU is voltage change, i_L is the charge and discharge current of the battery [20].

3.3. Polarization Resistance

The working voltage U_L , charge–discharge current i_L and open circuit voltage U_{OC} of the echelon-use battery obtained through the charge–discharge test. The least square method is used to minimize the sum of the squares of the residual and identify the parameter model. This method is introduced in detail in the literature [21], so it will not be repeated.

4. SOP Estimation

In this paper, an adaptive dual Kalman filter algorithm is applied based on the second-order Thevenin equivalent model: the first is to estimate the SOC based on the adaptive extended Kalman filter (AEKF) algorithm; the second is to estimate the ohmic internal resistance and actual capacity based on the adaptive extended Kalman filter (AEKF) algorithm [22,23].

4.1. SOC Estimation Based on AEKF

According to Equations (3) and (4), the variable of the echelon-use battery system is the SOC. In this paper, the ohmic resistance and actual capacity of the echelon-use battery are added into the state variable due to the serious problems of the increase of ohmic resistance and the decline of the actual capacity of the echelon-use battery. The system state variable has three parameters: SOC, ohm internal resistance, and the actual capacity [24,25].

The state and observation equations are as follows:

$$x_{k+1} = f(x_k, u_k, \theta_k) + \omega_k \tag{7}$$

$$y_{k+1} = g(x_k, u_k, \theta_k) + \vartheta_k \tag{8}$$

where, θ_k is the state variable ohmic internal resistance and actual capacity, $\theta_k = [R_{0,k}, C_k]$; x_k is the system state variable; u_k is the input of the system and is the cascade battery current; y_k is the system observation variable and is the working voltage of the echelon-use battery.

In this paper, the error covariance matrices of the zero-mean Gaussian white noise ω_k and ϑ_k are Q_k and R_k .

The algorithm flow is as follows:

• Step 1: Initialize *x* is as follows:

$$\hat{x}_0 = E(x_0) \tag{9}$$

$$\hat{P}_0 = E[(x_0 - \hat{x}_0)(x_0 - \hat{x}_0)^T$$
(10)

• Step 2: Time update of the system state *x* is as follows:

$$x_k = f(\hat{x}_{k-1}, u_{k-1}, \theta_k)$$
(11)

$$P_k = A_{k-1}\hat{P}_{k-1}A_{k-1}^T + Q_k \tag{12}$$

• Step 3: Status update of the system state *x* is as follows: The Kalman gain is as follows:

$$K_{k} = P_{k}C_{k}^{T}(C_{k}P_{k}C_{k}^{T} + R_{k})^{-1}$$
(13)

The optimal estimation of state variables is as follows:

$$\hat{x}_{k} = x_{k} + K_{k} \big[y_{k} - g \big(\hat{x}_{k-1}, u_{k-1}, \hat{\theta}_{k-1} \big) \big]$$
(14)

The optimal estimate of the covariance is as follows:

$$\hat{P}_k = (E - K_k C_k) P_k \tag{15}$$

• Step 4: Process noise covariance equation is as follows:

$$Q_k = (1 - d_k)Q_{k-1} + d_k[K_k(\hat{y}_k - y_k)(\hat{y}_k - y_k)^T K_k^T + P_k - A_{k-1}\hat{P}_{k-1}A_{k-1}^T]$$
(16)

• Step 5: Observe the noise covariance equation as follows:

$$R_{k} = (1 - d_{k})R_{k-1} + d_{k}[(\hat{y}_{k} - y_{k})(\hat{y}_{k} - y_{k})^{T} - C_{k}P_{k}C_{k}^{T}]$$
(17)

where $d_k = \frac{1-b}{1-b^k}$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, n, b$ is the forgetting factor, 0 < b < 1; \hat{x}_k is the optimal state estimation value at k time of sampling; x_k is the estimated value of the state variable at k time of sampling; \hat{y}_k is the actual observed value at k time of sampling; y_k is the estimated value of the observed variable at k time of sampling; \hat{P}_k is the optimal estimation value of error covariance at k time of sampling; P_k is the estimated value of error covariance at k time of sampling.

4.2. The Ohm Internal Resistance and Actual Capacity Estimation Based on AEKF

The state and observation equations of the system with the newly added state parameters are as follows:

$$\theta_{k+1} = \theta_k + \gamma_k \tag{18}$$

$$D_{k+1} = g(x_k, u_k, \theta_k) + e_k \tag{19}$$

where γ_k is the noise on the input variable, e_k is the noise on the output variable; an adaptive extended Kalman filter algorithm is applied to the state variable θ to obtain the real-time estimation results of the internal resistance and actual capacity of the battery. In order to obtain the accurate ohmic resistance and actual capacity of the battery, the error

In this paper, the error covariance matrices of the zero-mean Gaussian white noise r_k and e_k are $Q_{\theta,k}$ and $R_{\theta,k}$.

The algorithm flow is as follows:

• Step 1: Initialize θ as follows:

$$\hat{\theta}_0 = E(\theta_0) \tag{20}$$

$$P_{\theta,0} = E\left[(x_0 - \hat{x}_0) (x_0 - \hat{x}_0)^T \right]$$
(21)

• Step 2: Time update of the system state θ is as follows:

$$\theta_k = \hat{\theta}_{k-1} \tag{22}$$

$$P_{\theta,k} = \hat{P}_{\theta,k-1} + Q_{\theta,k} \tag{23}$$

• Step 3: Status update of the system state θ is as follows: The Kalman gain is as follows:

$$K_{\theta,k} = P_{\theta,k} C_k^T (C_k P_{\theta,k} C_k^T + R_{\theta,k})^{-1}$$
(24)

The optimal estimation of state variables is as follows:

$$\hat{\theta}_{k} = \theta_{k} + K_{\theta,k} [y_{k} - g(\hat{x}_{k-1}, u_{k-1}, \hat{\theta}_{k-1})]$$
(25)

The optimal estimate of the covariance is as follows:

$$\hat{P}_{\theta,k} = (E - K_{\theta,k}C_k)P_{\theta,k} \tag{26}$$

• Step 4: Process noise covariance equation is as follows:

$$Q_{\theta,k} = (1 - d_{\theta,k})Q_{\theta,k-1} + d_{\theta,k}[K_{\theta,k}(\hat{y}_k - y_k)(\hat{y}_k - y_k)^{\mathrm{T}}K_{\theta,k}^{\mathrm{T}} + P_{\theta,k} - A_{k-1}\hat{P}_{\theta,k-1}A_{k-1}^{\mathrm{T}}]$$
(27)

• Step 5: Observe the noise covariance equation as follows:

$$R_{\theta,k} = (1 - d_{\theta,k})R_{\theta,k-1} + d_{\theta,k}[(\hat{y}_k - y_k)(\hat{y}_k - y_k)^{\mathrm{T}} - C_k P_{\theta,k} C_k^{\mathrm{T}}]$$
(28)

where $d_{\theta,k} = \frac{1-b_{\theta}}{1-b_{\theta}^{k}}$, $k = 1, 2, \cdots, n$, b_{θ} is the forgetting factor, $0 < b_{\theta} < 1$.

4.3. SOP Estimation Based on ADEKF

The SOP optimal estimate forecast is updated as follows:

The optimal estimation of the predicted working voltage at time k + 1 is as follows:

$$\hat{U}_{k+1} = g(\hat{x}_k, u_k, \hat{\theta}_k) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{d(U_{oc}(S_C))}{dS_C} |_{S_C = S_{CK}} - 1 - 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} S_{ck} \\ U_k^{R_1 C_1} \\ U_k^{R_2 C_2} \end{bmatrix} - i_k R_{0,k}$$
(29)

The optimal estimation prediction SOP at time k + 1 is as follows:

$$P_{k+1} = \frac{\hat{U}_{k+1}^2}{R_{0,k+1} + R_1 + R_2} \tag{30}$$

Ignore the effect of internal polarization resistance:

$$P_{SOP} = \frac{\hat{U}_{k+1}^2}{R_{0,k+1}} \tag{31}$$

where $g(\hat{x}_{k-1}, u_{k-1}, \hat{\theta}_{k-1})$ is the estimated value of the observed variable at *k* time of sampling.

4.4. The Flow Chart of SOP Estimation Based on ADEKF

The flow chart of the SOP estimation of an echelon-use battery is shown in Figure 2.



Figure 2. The flow chart of SOP estimation of echelon-use battery.

5. Simulation and Discussion

5.1. SOC Estimation Based on AEKF

In Figure 3, a lithium iron phosphate echelon-use battery (60 AH, 3.2 V, Table 1) was selected to conduct the charge/discharge experiment using BTS20-5V/4*300A/WD (Hubei Techpow Electric Co., Ltd., China) monomer battery charging-discharging equipment at room temperature. The fully charged echelon battery was discharged several times to simulate the simple working conditions. Different discharge currents were used each time for simulation verification and analysis using MATLAB R2020a (MathWorks, Natick, USA).

To verify the adaptive characteristics of the algorithm, a discharge experiment was carried out on a fully charged echelon battery, starting from an SOC of 100% and ending at an SOC of 25%. In the process of simulation verification, the initial SOC values were changed to 100%, 70%, and 40% separately, and the adaptive and error curves were observed and analyzed.

In the simulation verification, the actual values of the SOC, working voltage, and SOP were acquired by the charging-discharging equipment (BTS20-5V/4*300A/WD), and the estimated values were calculated using the ADEKF algorithm.



Figure 3. Experimental environment. (a) The lithium iron phosphate echelon-use battery (60 AH, 3.2 V). (b) The charge/discharge experiment.

Table 1. Parameters of the echelon-use battery.

Items	Parameter	Remarks
capacity	60 Ah	60 A
nominal voltage	3.2 V	
working voltage	2.5 V to 3.65 V	
charging time	3 h	20 A
charging temperature	0 $^{\circ}$ C to 45 $^{\circ}$ C	
discharging temperature	$-20~^\circ\text{C}$ to 55 $^\circ\text{C}$	

The formula for error:

By formula (1), (2), (14), $\hat{x}_k = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{S}_{ck} \\ \hat{U}_k^{R_1C_1} \\ \hat{U}_k^{R_2C_2} \end{bmatrix}$, the first behavior is the optimal value \hat{S}_{Ck}

of SOC.

The SOC error equation is as follows:

$$SOC \ error = \hat{S}_{Ck} - S_{actual} \tag{32}$$

where, *S_{actual}* is the value collected by the device.

By formula (29), the optimal estimation of the predicted working voltage at time k + 1 is \hat{U}_{k+1} .

The working voltage error equation is as follows:

Working voltage error =
$$\hat{U}_{k+1} - U_{actual}$$
 (33)

where, U_{actual} is the value collected by the device.

By formula (31), the optimal estimation prediction SOP at time k + 1 is P_{SOP} .

The SOP error equation is as follows:

$$SOP \ error = P_{SOP} - P_{actual} \tag{34}$$

where, *P_{actual}* is the value collected by the device.

5.2. SOC Initial Value of 100%

The simulation verification curve when the initial value of the SOC is 100% is shown in Figure 4.



Figure 4. The simulation verification curve when the initial value of the SOC is 100%. (**a**) The SOC estimation and error curves. (**b**) The working voltage estimation and error curves. (**c**) The SOP estimation and error curves.

Echelon-Use Battery Parameters	Estimation Error (SOC = 100%)	Estimation Error (SOC = 70%)	Estimation Error (SOC = 40%)
SOC	2.12%	-2.36% to $2.44%$	-2.49% to 2.43%
working voltage	4.36%	4.38%	4.40%
SOP	3.99%	4.04%	4.78%

Table 2. Estimation error of the echelon-use battery parameters.

In Figure 4b, the top graph is the adaptive curve of the echelon-use battery working voltage, while the bottom graph is the error curve between the actual and the estimated values of the echelon-use battery working voltage. Through a curve comparison and error analysis, the estimated error value is 0.1396 V, the echelon-use battery working voltage platform is 3.2 V, and the calculated estimated error is within 4.36% (Table 2).

In Figure 4c, the top graph is the adaptive curve of the echelon-use battery SOP, while the bottom graph is the error curve between the actual value and the estimated value of the echelon-use battery SOP. Through a curve comparison and error analysis, the estimated error value is 7.67 W, the echelon-use battery is rated at 192 W, and the calculated estimate error is within 3.99% (Table 2).

5.3. SOC Initial Value of 70%

The simulation verification curve when the initial value of the SOC is 70% is shown in Figure 5.

n Figure 5a, the top graph is the adaptive curve of the echelon-use battery SOC, while the bottom graph is the error curve between the actual and the estimated values of the echelon-use battery SOC. Through a curve comparison and error analysis, the echelon-use battery SOC estimation demonstrates adaptive characteristics, and the estimated error is -2.36% to 2.44% (Table 2).

In Figure 5b, the top graph is the adaptive curve of the echelon-use battery working voltage, while the bottom graph is the error curve between the actual and the estimated values of the echelon-use battery working voltage. Through a curve comparison and error analysis, the echelon-use battery working voltage estimation is found to exhibit adaptive characteristics. The estimated error value is 0.1401 V, the echelon-use battery working voltage platform is 3.2 V, and the calculated estimated error is within 4.38% (Table 2).

In Figure 5c, the top graph is the adaptive curve of the echelon-use battery SOP, while the bottom graph is the error curve between the actual and the estimated values of the echelon-use battery SOP. Through a curve comparison and error analysis, the echelon-use battery SOP estimation has adaptive characteristics, the estimated error value is 7.75 W, the echelon-use battery is rated at 192 W, and the calculated estimated error is within 4.04% (Table 2).

5.4. SOC Initial Value of 40%

The simulation verification curve when the initial value of the SOC is 40% is shown in Figure 6.

In Figure 6a, the top graph is the adaptive curve of the echelon-use battery SOC, while the bottom graph is the error curve between the actual and the estimated values of the echelon-use battery SOC. Through a curve comparison and error analysis, the echelon-use battery SOC estimation demonstrates adaptive characteristics, and the estimated error is -2.49% to 2.43% (Table 2).



Figure 5. The simulation verification curve when the initial value of the SOC is 70%. (a) The SOC estimation and error curves. (b) The working voltage estimation and error curves. (c) The SOP estimation and error curves.



Figure 6. The simulation verification curve when the initial value of the SOC is 40%. (a) The SOC estimation and error curves. (b) The working voltage estimation and error curves. (c) The SOP estimation and error curves.

In Figure 6b, the top graph is the adaptive curve of the echelon-use battery working voltage, while the bottom graph is the error curve between the actual and the estimated values of the echelon-use battery working voltage. Through a curve comparison and error analysis, the echelon-use battery working voltage estimation is found to exhibit adaptive

characteristics. The estimated error value is 0.1407 V, the echelon-use battery working voltage platform is 3.2 V, and the calculated estimated error is within 4.40% (Table 2).

In Figure 6c, the top graph is the adaptive curve of the echelon-use battery SOP, while the bottom graph is the error curve between the actual and the estimated values of the echelon-use battery SOP. Through a curve comparison and error analysis, the echelon-use battery SOP estimation has adaptive characteristics, the estimated error value is 9.17 W, the echelon-use battery is rated at 192 W, and the calculated estimated error is within 4.78% (Table 2).

6. Conclusions

In this paper, the second-order Thevenin equivalent model of an echelon-use battery is established first, and then the SOP estimation method of such a battery is established by the ADEKF algorithm. A simulation analysis shows that the estimation accuracy error of the echelon-use battery SOC is less than 2.5%, the estimation accuracy error of the echelon-use battery working voltage is less than 4.5%, and the estimation accuracy error of the echelon-use battery SOP is less than 4.8%. Therefore, the method has high accuracy.

In addition, regardless of whether or not the initial value of the SOC is clear, the proposed algorithm can be adjusted to the adaptive algorithm, and it has high accuracy.

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